



ASHBOURNE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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OF THE

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and the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

E. J. LEYLAND, M.A.P.H.I.

for the year

1968

ASHBOURNE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
TO THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF ASHBOURNE

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11th August, 1969.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report on the health and sanitary circumstances of the Urban District for the year ended 31st December, 1968.

The Registrar General's Estimate of population of the district remains the same as last year (5,710).

The figure for the number of births during the year is 90 that is 54 males and 36 females. This represents an increase of 9 on the previous year's figures when 81 births (54 males and 38 females) were registered. The number of deaths registered during the year was 112 (65 males and 47 females), and this figure shows an increase of (27) on that for the previous year.

Deaths from cancer of all sites numbered 12 representing 10.71% of all deaths, and deaths from cancer of the lung and bronchus was classed as being responsible for 1 death.

The Infant Mortality Rate of 18 per 1,000 live births in England and Wales was again the lowest ever recorded in this country.

A total of 15 notifications of infectious diseases were recorded (as against 21 notifications recorded during 1967), made up as follows : Measles 13, Whooping Cough 1 and Pneumonia 1.

The only important piece of new legislation which concerned the Medical Officer of Health was the Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968, Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1968, Notification of Food Poisoning and Infectious Diseases, came into force on the 1st October, 1968. As far as the Urban District is concerned the main amendments relate to notifiable diseases and food poisoning. Certain diseases namely : Acute influenzal pneumonia; Acute primary pneumonia; Acute rheumatism; Erysipelas; Membranous croup and Puerperal pyrexia no longer need to be notified by the General Practitioners. Besides making slight alteration to notification procedure the fees for notifications were increased to 5/-.

I have once again to place on record my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Health Committee, to Dr. J.B.S. Morgan, the County Medical Officer, to the General Practitioners, the Clerk of the Council, and the Public Health Inspector and other Chief Officers, for their support and assistance, and to the staff of the Department for their untiring efforts during the year.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

W.J. Morrissey

Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICS OF THE AREA

Area of the District in Acres	1,075		
Estimated Mid-Year Population 1968	5,710		
Estimated Number of houses	1,950		
Rateable value	£190,123		
Product of Penny Rate	£750		
Rate in the pound		11.	8.
Loan at 31st March 1968			
Housing	£739,815.	0.	0.
Housing Advances	£9,040.	0.	0.
Markets	£7,489.	0.	0.
Cemetery	£720.	0.	0.
Sewage Disposal	£2,604.	0.	0.
Public Conveniences	£2,349.	0.	0.
Street Lighting	£4,568.	0.	0.
Flood Prevention	£3,059.	0.	0.
Reimbursable Loan Debt	£3,583.	0.	0.
'Bus Station	£3,540.	0.	0.
Recreation Ground	£6,615.	0.	0.
Central Area	£40,973.	0.	0.
Improvement Grants	£17,391.	0.	0.
	£841,746.	0.	0.

VITAL STATISTICS

<u>Live Births</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total	54	36	90
Legitimate	49	34	83
Illegitimate	5	2	7

Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population	15.8
Area Comparability Factor	1.10
Adjusted Birth Rate	17.38
England and Wales Birth Rate for 1968	16.9

Illegitimate Live Births formed 7.7% of the total Live Births

<u>Still Births</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total	4	-	4
Legitimate	4	-	4
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Still Birth Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births	43.0
England and Wales Still Birth Rate for 1968	14.0

<u>Total Live and Still Births</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total	58	36	94
Legitimate	53	34	87
Illegitimate	5	2	7

<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
	65	47	112

Crude Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population	19.6
Area Comparability Factor	0.70
Adjusted Death Rate	13.72
England and Wales Death Rate for 1968	11.9

Infant Deaths (Deaths under 1 Year)

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total	-	-	-
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Infant Mortality Rates

Total Infantile Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births	Nil
Infant Mortality Rate England and Wales for 1968	18.0
Legitimate Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Legitimate Live Births	Nil
Illegitimate Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births	Nil

Neo-Natal Mortality (Deaths under 4 weeks)

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total	-	-	-
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births	Nil
Neo-Natal Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1968	12.3

Early Neo-Natal Mortality (Deaths under 1 week)

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total	-	-	-
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 total Live Births	Nil
Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1968	10.5

Perinatal Mortality (Still Births and Deaths under 1 week combined)

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total	-	-	-
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Perinatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births	Nil
Perinatal Mortality Rate for England and Wales for 1968	25.0

Maternal Mortality (including abortion)

Number of Deaths	Nil
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<u>Deaths from Cancer (all forms)</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
	8	4	12

Deaths from Cancer (Lung and Bronchus)

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
	1	-	1

CAUSES OF DEATHS REGISTERED DURING 1968

The following table shows the causes of deaths registered during 1968.

<u>Cause of Death</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	1	-	1
Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus	1	-	1
Other malignant neoplasms, etc.	6	4	10
Diabetes mellitus	1	-	1
Anaemias	-	1	1
Other diseases of nervous system etc.	1	-	1
Hypertension disease	1	1	2
Ischaemic heart disease	20	11	31
Other forms of heart disease	1	1	2
Cerebrovascular disease	10	15	25
Other diseases of circulatory system	7	7	14
Influenza	1	-	1
Pneumonia	4	-	4
Bronchitis and emphysema	7	-	7
Other diseases of respiratory system	1	1	2
Intestinal obstruction and hernia	-	1	-
Cirrhosis of liver	-	1	1
Other diseases of digestive system	2	2	4
Nephritis and nephrosis	-	1	1
Motor vehicle accidents	1	-	1
All other accidents	-	1	1
Total	65	47	112

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The total of notifications of infectious disease received during 1968 was 15 as compared with 21 in 1967.

AGE INCIDENCE OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

The following table show the incidence of infectious disease notified by age group.

Disease	Age Unknown	Under 1 Year	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 and Over	Total
Measles	-	-	4	5	1	3	-	-	-	-	13
Whooping Cough	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	-	-	5	5	1	3	-	-	-	1	15

One case of infectious disease was removed to hospital.

The following table shows the notifications of infectious diseases received month by month throughout the year.

Disease.	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	8	3	-	-	-	13
Whooping Cough	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Total	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	9	3	-	-	-	15

MEASLES.

There are still, on average, 80 deaths a year ascribed to measles. This is about three times the number of deaths from whooping cough and about twice the annual deaths from typhoid, dysentery, scarlet fever, diphtheria, poliomyelitis and smallpox added together.

In an average epidemic year more than half a million notified cases of measles may be expected in England and Wales. "This would mean that about 35,000 patients might be expected to have serious complications and over 6,000 be admitted to hospital. Of the complications over 2,000 would be neurological, including some 600 cases of encephalitis; 20,000 would affect the respiratory tract and 13,000 the middle ear.

Vaccination, if done on a large scale, could produce a substantial reduction in the incidence of measles in this country. Such a reduction would undoubtedly lighten the burden placed on family doctors and parents, especially in an epidemic year, when approximately half a million cases occur.

B.C.G. VACCINATION.

The two schemes in operation, that is the scheme administered by the Chest Physicians on the one hand and the County Council on the other, continued to operate throughout the year. The Scheme administered by the Chest Physicians is limited to children who have been in contact with cases of Respiratory Tuberculosis and the County Council Scheme is for school children of the age of 13 years and upwards.

DIPHTHERIA AND DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

No cases of Diphtheria have been notified in the district during the year under review.

I am indebted to Dr. J.B.S. Morgan, the County Medical Officer, who has kindly supplied the following details regarding Diphtheria Immunisations carried out during the year in this district.

Record cards received during the year in respect of children immunised during the year.

Primary Immunisations	-	92
Booster Injections	-	96

This gives a decrease of 17 primary immunisations and an increase of 33 booster injections as compared with last year's figures.

POLIOMYELITIS AND POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION.

It gives me great pleasure once again to report that no confirmed case of poliomyelitis occurred in the district during the year, but freedom from infection can only be maintained if parents continue to bring their children for vaccination.

IMMUNISATION AGAINST WHOOPING COUGH AND TETANUS.

Arrangements for immunisation against these two complaints is available through the Derbyshire County Council and the same arrangements remained in force throughout the year. Injections are given at the County Council Clinic, or by the General Practitioners and booster doses are given after the recommended interval has elapsed.

EXFOLIATIVE CYTOLOGY (COMMONLY CALLED SMEAR TESTS FOR CANCER OF THE NECK OF THE WOMB)

Derbyshire County Council accepts the value of exfoliative cytology in the early diagnosis of cancer of the cervix of the uterus, and since the 29th June, 1964 the County Health Committee has agreed to some of their medical staff collecting smears for cytological examination at certain County Council Clinics, and these facilities are now available at :

Belper Clinic, Field Lane, Belper.

Derby Clinic, Cathedral Road, Derby.

Matlock Clinic, Lime Grove Walk, Matlock.

Ripley Clinic, Derby Road, Ripley.

St. Oswald's Hospital, Ashbourne.

Wirksworth Clinic, Church Street, Wirksworth.

Anyone requiring this examination should contact the Health Visitor at any of these Clinics.

AMBULANCE SERVICE

The responsibility for the provision for Ambulance Service under Section 27 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, rests with the Derbyshire County Council, as the Local Authority.

The Ambulance Station at Ashbourne is situated in Park Avenue near the Fire Station and is manned from 8.00 a.m. to midnight. Whilst the period midnight to 8.00 a.m. is covered by personnel on stand-by duty, additional cover is afforded by the main station at Mickleover which is manned throughout the 24 hours. The establishment of the Ashbourne Ambulance Station is 1 Superintendent, 1 Senior Driver, and 8 Driver/Attendants.

WELFARE OF AGED AND HANDICAPPED PERSONS

Miss M. G. Everill, Compton Office, Ashbourne - Tuesday 2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Divisional Headquarters - 2 Wilson Street, Derby. Telephone Derby 43278.

HOSPITAL SERVICES

Cases of infectious diseases occurring in the district may be removed to the Derwent Hospital, Derby.

Cases of Tuberculosis requiring admission to hospital are referred to the Chest Physician, Chest Centre, Green Lane, Derby. (Telephone Derby 47866) and may be admitted to the Derwent Hospital, Draycott Hospital or to Walton Hospital, Chesterfield.

All admission and discharge of cases of infectious disease, including Tuberculosis, are notified to the District Medical Officer of Health.

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS

All Bacteriological Examinations in connection with milk, water, food supplies and infectious disease are carried out at the Public Health Laboratory (Medical Research Council), 121a Osmaston Road, Derby. (Telephone Derby 47141 Ext. 332).

Specimens taken by Medical Practitioners are forwarded direct to the Laboratory and the results are not communicated to this department except when a positive result leads to notifications under the Infectious Diseases Regulations.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47
NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

These two Acts give authority to secure necessary care and attention for persons who:

- (a) are suffering from grave chronic diseases, or being aged and infirm or physically incapacitated are living in insanitary conditions, and
- (b) are unable to devote to themselves, and are not receiving from other persons proper care and attention.

It was not found necessary to take any formal action under these Acts during the year.

WELFARE SERVICES

Ante-Natal Clinic

Ashbourne, St. Oswald's Hospital. Thursday 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.
Telephone Ashbourne 2121.

Infant Welfare Centre

Ashbourne, Empire Social Centre, Station Street, Wednesday 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

Welfare Foods Distribution Centres

Ashbourne, 4 Town Hall Yard. Tuesday and Thursday, 10.0 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. Saturday 9.00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Ashbourne, Empire Social Centre Station Street, Wednesday 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m.

Dental Clinic

Ashbourne, St. Oswald's Hospital. 2nd and 4th Thursday. Telephone Ashbourne 2121

Eye Clinic

Derby, Cathedral Road. 2nd and 5th Monday a.m. 1st, 3rd and 4th Monday p.m.
Telephone Derby 45934.

Minor Ailment Clinic

Ashbourne, St. Oswald's Hospital. 2nd and 4th Wednesday a.m. Doctor present
Telephone Ashbourne 2121.

Orthopaedic Clinic

Derby, Cathedral Road. Thursday. Telephone Derby 45934

Speech Therapy Clinic

Ashbourne, 4 Town Hall Yard (Temporarily unstaffed)

Chiropody Clinic

Ashbourne, St. Oswald's Hospital. 1st and 3rd Monday a.m. Telephone Ashbourne 2121

Chest Clinic

Derby, 93 Green Lane, Wednesday 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.
Friday 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Saturday (Contacts only).
9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. by appointment to all sessions.
Telephone Derby 40366

Chest X-Ray Service. Available to Members of the Public

Chest Radiography Centre, Postern Street, Nottingham. Tel. No. Nottingham 42440
Public Sessions: Every Tuesday for Men 2.00 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.
Every Thursday for Women 2.00 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.
Additionally during the year 1969 the first monthly session will be extended to 7.30 p.m.

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11th August, 1969.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Ashbourne Urban District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report for the year ending 31st December, 1968.

At the beginning of the year, a trial scheme using paper and plastic sacks for refuse storage and collection was introduced on the Park Estate involving approximately 400 Council houses. Each house was supplied weekly with a fresh sack which was used to fill the existing dustbin. This scheme differed from the one previously tried, as expensive sack holders did not have to be provided. Both types of sack proved satisfactory, but the plastic sack was generally more acceptable as a dustbin liner. Throughout the year the scheme has worked very well and seems to have been accepted and preferred by all the householders concerned. As I mentioned in my last report, improved hygienic conditions of refuse storage, dustbins and household refusebins and lighter carriers for the refuse collection are all advantages to be found when using a sack scheme.

The present refuse vehicle is now approaching the end of its efficient working life, and several demonstrations of new vehicles have been given to find a replacement.

Certain parts of the Civic Amenities Act, 1967, came into operation during the year, giving local authorities power to provide refuse dumps to control unauthorised dumping and to deal with abandoned motor vehicles. One of the difficulties of this problem is to actually locate the offending person(s) who has dumped the refuse. One sees refuse dumped on waste ground, in the river and other water courses and on Council Estates in the town. What is particularly surprising is the amount of garden rubbish which is to be found dumped on private housing estates, strewn over vacant building plots, grassed areas, hedge bottoms and so on.

The number of applications received for improvement grants remained at around the same disappointing level as in previous years.

During the year, assistance has been given to the Consulting Engineers, investigating the capacity of the outfall sewer and sewage disposal works, in trying to locate surface water infiltration and the lines of sewers in the town. It is pleasing to note that they have produced a report recommending extensions and alterations to the sewer and disposal works which has been approved by the Council.

A detailed survey of all the council houses on the Clifton Road and Northcliffe Estates was completed during the year with a view to carrying out discretionary grant aided improvements to the dwellings. Estimates of costs and specifications were prepared, but at the same time it was learnt that a new Housing Bill was to be introduced which will give increased grant aid for improvement work. It was then decided by the Council to leave the work in abeyance until the new bill had become law.

Vandalism in the town has been particularly heavy, affecting public conveniences and other council property. Throughout the year it is estimated that the cost due to vandalism to public conveniences has been one hundred pounds.

Sampling of Untreated Milk continued throughout the year for the detecting of brucella abortus infection. Towards the end of the year it was necessary to stop the sale of Untreated Milk from one dairy herd until the infection could be traced.

Meat inspection continued at the two slaughterhouses in the town, and no evidence of tuberculosis or cysticercosis was revealed by post mortem inspection of the animals slaughtered.

Due to shortage of staff in the combined Department, it was not possible to complete the inspections of premises under the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963, and the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960.

I have pleasure in thanking the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their support and the Clerk of the Council, Medical Officer of Health and the Engineer and Surveyor for their help and co-operation during the year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

E.J.Leyland

Public Health Inspector

DWELLING HOUSE REPAIRS

NOTICES SERVED DURING 1968

Public Health Act, 1936

Number of Informal Notices served 12
Number of Informal Notices complied with 12
Number of Statutory Notices served -

All complaints were investigated and Informal Notices sent to the owners when necessary, owners complying fairly quickly with Informal Notices.

HOUSING IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

A combined total of nine applications were received compared with twelve in 1967.

Grants were approved in each case classified as follows:-
Comparative figures for 1967 are shown in brackets.

Discretionary Grants

<u>Applications from Owner/Occupiers</u>	<u>Applications from Landlords</u>	<u>Total Grants Approved</u>
1 (1)	1 (6)	£773 (£1,323)

Standard Grants

<u>Applications from Owner/Occupiers</u>	<u>Applications from Landlords</u>	<u>Total Grants Approved</u>
4 (4)	3 (1)	£1,195 (£1,165)

SLUM CLEARANCE

Individual Unfit Houses dealt with during 1968

	Number	Displaced during the year	
		Person	Families
<u>A. Houses Demolished in Clearance Areas</u>			
Houses unfit for human habitation	-	-	-
Houses included by reason of bad arrangement etc.	-	-	-
Houses on land acquired under Section 43(2) Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
<u>Houses Demolished Not in Clearance Areas</u>			
As a result of formal procedure under Section 17(1) Housing Act, 1957	1 (pending)	3	1
Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	-	-	-
Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts.	-	-	-
Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders	-	-	-
<u>B. Unfit Houses Closed</u>			
Under Section 16(4) 17(1) and 35(1) Housing Act, 1957	3	5	2
Under Sections 17(3) and 26 Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
Parts of building closed under Section 18 Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
The position reached by the end of the year is summarised below:-			
Individual Houses Demolished			-
Houses demolished under Compulsory Purchase Order			-
Individual Houses awaiting demolition			2
Houses Closed			4
Houses made fit where undertakings accepted			-
Houses remaining to be dealt with and still occupied			36
Number of families re-housed by the Council			4

RENT ACT, 1957

No applications were received for Certificates of Disrepair or other Certificates during the year.

MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

There are no caravans used for human habitation in the district and no applications were received for Licences under the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960.

It was necessary to take informal action against the occupiers of caravans parked on various sites in the town.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

As a result of informal action various improvements were carried out at a number of food premises.

The number of food premises in the district is as follows:-

<u>Type of Trade</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960</u>		
		No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	No. of premises to which Regulation 19 applies	No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19
Bakehouses	4	4	4	4
Butchers	9	9	9	9
Cafes	7	7	7	7
Canteens	6	6	6	6
Confectioners	23	23	23	23
Fishmongers	1	1	1	1
Food Factory	5	5	5	5
Fried Fish Premises	3	3	3	3
Greengrocers	9	8	9	9
Grocers	19	17	19	19
Licensed Premises	22	17	22	22
Total	108	100	108	108

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955 - SECTION 16

Number of premises registered for the manufacture and sale of ice-cream	1
Number of premises registered for the sale of ice-cream	41
Number of premises registered for the manufacture of preserved foods.	16

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

FOOD HYGIENE (MARKETS, STALLS AND DELIVERY VEHICLES) REGULATIONS, 1966

For delivering meat to an Ashbourne butcher in a dirty vehicle, a Derby firm of Meat Wholesalers was officially cautioned by the Council for contravention of the Regulations.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955 - SECTION 2

For selling sausage rolls in a mouldy condition, a firm of butchers was officially cautioned by the Council for selling food not of the nature, or substance or quality demanded.

MEAT DISCOLOURATION

A complaint was received concerning joints of beef which were found to be discoloured after cooking. After inspecting the meat and making extensive investigations the reason for the quite distinct orange/green discolouration could not be ascertained. Samples of the meat were therefore sent to the Public Health Laboratory and the County Analyst for examination, but they could not offer explanations for the colour. They did, however, state that the meat was sound and fit to eat, and this reassuring information was passed on to the complainant.

MILK SAMPLING - BRUCELLA ABORTUS

Type of Sample	Total number taken	Ring Test		Culture		Guinea Pig	
		Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative
Bottle	4	2	2	1	1	1	-
Herd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Group	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individual	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4	2	2	1	1	1	-

Number of infected cows (a) sent for slaughter NIL
(b) isolated on farm NIL
(c) sold to another farm TWO

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

There are two licensed slaughterhouses in the town, all of which are used by local butchers, no meat being exported out of the town.

SLAUGHTERMEN

Five slaughtermen were licensed under the Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958

FOOD CONDEMNED DURING 1968

FROM SHOP PREMISES

Meat	40 lbs.
Canned meats	1 cwt. 6 lbs.
Other foods	37 lbs.

MEAT INSPECTION SUMMARY FOR 1968

Corresponding figures for 1967 in brackets

	Cattle (Ex.Cows)	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Animals slaughtered and inspected	242 (243)	- (-)	1 (1)	757 (657)	243 (275)
<u>CONDEMNATIONS</u>					
1. All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cystricercosis					
Whole carcasses condemned	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	38 (49)	- (-)	- (-)	11 (12)	3 (-)
Percentages	15.7% (20.17%)	- (-)	- (-)	1.5% (1.83%)	1.23% (-)
2. <u>Tuberculosis only</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
Proportion of number affected in any degree with Tuberculosis	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
3. <u>Cysticercosis</u>					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
Percentage of number inspected affected with cysticercosis	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)

ANALYSIS OF CONDEMNED MEAT (in lbs.)

	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Pork
Abscesses	48	-	-	-
Parasites and Cysts	216	-	41	5
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-
Angioma	12	-	-	-
Actinomycosis	-	-	-	-
Pleurisy	71	-	8	-
Peritonitis	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-
Bruising	3	-	-	-
Contamination	-	-	-	-
Arthritis	-	-	-	8
	350	-	49	13

WATER SUPPLY

The South Derbyshire Water Board provide the water supply for the town, and I am indebted to Mr. I. G. Edwards, Engineer and General Manager, South Derbyshire Water Board, for his observations which are given below:-

- (a) The water supply to the area has been adequate in quantity and generally satisfactory in quality.
- (b) Regular examination is made of both raw and treated water. A total of 51 bacteriological, 1 chemical and 48 partial chemical samples were taken during the year, both at the works and from various points in the Urban District. Of the 51 bacteriological samples taken, one indicated the presence of coliforms. Further checks indicated coliform-free waters.

The supply to the area is derived from three sources:-

Fluorides

Rodsley Boreholes	0.15 p.p.m.
Derby Road well	0.30 p.p.m.
Ladyhole Borehole	0.04 p.p.m.

- (c) None of the water as supplied to the consumer in this area is liable to plumbe-solvent action.
- (d) All water is chlorinated before being passed into supply.
- (e) The number of dwellings and population supplied:-
 - (i) Number of dwelling houses, and houses and shops 2006
 - (ii) Estimated population supplied 5710
 - (iii) I have no record of the number of houses supplied by means of standpipes.

SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Sewage is treated at the Council's Sewage Disposal Works, Mayfield Road, Ashbourne. Consulting Engineers have been engaged by the Council to investigate the capacity of the sewage works and the main outfall sewer, and have prepared a report to the Council recommending extensions and alterations to the works, which has been approved, and a formal submission is to be made to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for approval.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961Inspection of Factories

Premises	Number on Register	Number of Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	5	5	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	56	33	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	7	7	-	-
Total	68	45	-	-

Particulars (1)	Number of Cases in which defects were found				Cases which Prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1.)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork.)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

OUTWORK

Nature of work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of Outworkers in August required by Section 110 (1)(c)	No. of cases default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecuted
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Wearing(Making Apparel) etc.	112	-	-	-	-	-
Cleaning and Washing	-	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	No. of premises registered during the year	Total No. of registered premises at end of year	No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year.
Offices	-	19	7
Retail Shops	1	61	14
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	2	-
Catering establishment open to the public, canteens	-	7	2
Fuel Storage Depots	-	1	-
Totals	1	90	23

Total number of visits of all kinds to registered premises under the Act 92

Persons Employed in Registered Premises

Class of Workplace	No. of persons employed
Offices	126
Retail Shops	243
Wholesale departments, warehouses	12
Catering establishments open to the public	53
Canteens	-
Fuel storage depots	5

Total 439
Total Males 167
Total Females 272

LISTS OF CONTRAVENTIONS

Section	Number of Contraventions found
4	Cleanliness 18
5	Overcrowding -
6	Temperature 7
7	Ventilation 4
8	Lighting 8
9	Sanitary conveniences 3
10	Washing facilities 5
11	Supply of drinking water 2
12	Clothing accommodation 9
13	Sitting facilities 1
14	Seats (Sedentary Workers) 1
15	Eating facilities -
16	Floors, passage and stairs 12
17	Fencing exposed parts machinery 2
18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery -
19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery -
23	Prohibition of heavy work -
24	First Aid 3
	Other matters 12
	Total 87

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

For contravening the Act by failing to provide in office premises where persons were employed to work, a suitable sanitary convenience, suitable and sufficient artificial lighting, suitable foot rests for use with high stools and redecoration of the office, a formal caution was issued by the Council on the occupier of the office premises, as they felt that reasonable time had been given to remedy the contraventions.

PETROLEUM ACTS AND REGULATIONS

Number of Licences issued 19

Total quantity of petrol covered by Licences 49,900

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Public conveniences are maintained by the Council at Union Street, Omnibus Station, in the War Memorial Gardens and at the Cemetery.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

A weekly collection of refuse was maintained throughout the year. Tipping is carried out on the Clifton Tip at Ashbourne Rural District Council.

A joint Refuse Disposal Committee consisting of representatives from the Rural District and Urban District Councils deals with matters arising in the combined method.

SALVAGE

A new mechanical waste paper baler was purchased by the Council during the year. This replaced an old hand operated one which had been in operation for many years.

Waste Paper

A weekly collection was made from business premises, 67 tons 10 cwt. 1 qrs. being baled and sold for £477 10s. 8d.

Scrap Metals etc.

The following scrap metals etc., were salvaged and sold during the year.

	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	£.	s.	d.
Scrap Brass	-	2	1	13	16	11	3
Scrap Copper		11	3	20	138	8	10
Scrap Lead	-	3	3	14	12	0	3
Scrap Iron	-	17	2	-	7	0	0
Total					£174	0	4

RODENT CONTROL

Type of Property	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
Number of properties in Local Authority's District	2,471	10
Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	9	-
Number infested by (i) Rats	3	-
(ii) Mice	1	-
Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	-	-
Number infested by (i) Rats	-	-
(ii) Mice	-	-

In addition to the treatments included in the above table, one test bait and two poison bait treatments of the sewers were carried out during the year. Sewers in the centre of the town were found to be lightly infested.

